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INFO AMEMBASSY TEGUCIGALPA

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MONTERREY FOR GEORGE CAVIN

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SUBJECT: MEDITERRANEAN FRUIT FLY FOUND IN HONDURAS

1. MINISTER OF NATURAL RESOURCES FERNANDO MONTES INFORMED AGATT AND ECOMOFF YESTERDAY MAY 5 IN TEGUCIGALPA THAT MEDITERRANEAN FRUIT FLY HAS BEEN TRAPPED AT SEVERAL POINTS SOUTHERN HONDURAS. INDIVIDUAL INSECTS HAVE BEEN FOUND AT TWO POINTS EAST OF EL SALVADOR AND RATHER HEAVY INFESTATION IS REPORTED NEAR NUEVO OCOTEPEQUE, IN SOUTHWEST CORNER HONDURAS NEAR SALVADORAN AND GUATEMALAN BORDERS.

2. MINISTER HAS DRAFTED PROPOSED LAW ESTABLISHING CONTROL EFFORTS AND PROVIDING FUNDS OF SOME 45,000 AIMED AT INHIBITING SPREAD. HE FEELS CONTROL IS LIKELIEST IF MEDFLY IS CONFINED BY CONCERTED ACTION TO CONTIGUOUS CORNERS OF THREE COUNTRIES. HE IS AWARE INSECT NUMBERS MAY APPEAR TO DECLINE WHEN RAINY SEASON BEGINS SOON, BUT PLANS QUARANTINE MEASURES IF FUNDS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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BECOME AVAILABLE. ANTICIPATES FINANCING WILL BE PROBLEM.

3. PRESS REPORTED MAY 3 THAT MINISTRY IS PLACING INSECT
TRAPS, FUMIGATING VEHICLES, AND PROHIBITING PASSAGE FRUIT
AND VEGETATION FROM INFESTED ZONES. OIRSA REPORTED COLLMOORATING.
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